

# AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification by replacing the paragraph on page 6, lines 6-21, with the following new paragraph:

In step 180, the module 18 calculates, with the resolution of the subbands  $i$ , the frequency response  $H_{p,n,i}$  of the a priori denoising filter, according to:

$$H_{p,n,i} = \frac{S_{n,i} - \alpha'_{n-1,i} \hat{B}_{n-1,i}}{S_{n-1,i}}$$

where  $\tau_2$  is a positive or zero integer delay and  $\alpha'_{n,i}$  is a noise overestimation coefficient. This overestimation coefficient  $\alpha'_{n,i}$  may be dependent on or independent of the frame index  $n$  and/or the subband index  $i$ . In a preferred embodiment, it depends both on  $n$  and  $i$ , and it is determined as described in document WO99/14737. A first denoising is performed in step 181:  $\hat{E}_{p,n,i} = H_{p,n,i} \cdot S_{n,i}$ . In steps 182 to 184, the spectral components  $\hat{E}_{p1,n,i}$  are calculated according  $\hat{E}_{p1,n,i} = \max(\hat{E}_{p,n,i} : \beta_{1,i} \cdot \hat{B}_{n-1,i})$ , and in steps ~~182~~ 185 to ~~184~~ 187, the spectral components  $\hat{E}_{p2,n,i}$  are calculated according to  $\hat{E}_{p2,n,i} = \max(\hat{E}_{p,n,i} : \beta_{2,i} \cdot \hat{B}_{n-1,i})$